

ing the seat of John N. Watkins, esq. a delegate returned for the city of Annapolis, on the ground of his having received a certain number of illegal votes; beg leave to report—that under an order of this house to send for persons and papers, they proceeded to investigate the subject with which they were charged, and after a careful examination of all the witnesses brought before them, twenty-one in number, concur in the return of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Annapolis, finding that John N. Watkins, esq. did receive a majority of the legal votes taken on the first Monday of October last.

It is proper to add, that from a rigid examination of the witnesses produced on the part of the memorialist himself, they believe that the election was fairly and honourably conducted, with a strict regard to law and justice.

The committee concur unanimously in recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, by the House of Delegates of Maryland, That John N. Watkins, esq. a delegate returned for the city of Annapolis, is entitled to his seat as a member of this house.

All which is respectfully submitted,

John T. Hawkins, Chairman.

By order,

Benjamin Seegar, Com. Clk.

The said report, being read the first time, was,

On motion of Mr. M'Mahon of Baltimore city, ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Rogerson, chairman of the committee therein mentioned, delivered the following report:

The committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, to which was referred the petition of Randolph Hoskins, of Washington county, state of Kentucky, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Randolph Hoskins, of Washington county, state of Kentucky, or to his order, during life, in half yearly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, as a further remuneration for his services during the revolutionary war.

By order,

George A. Farquhar, Com. Clk.

The said report, being read the first time, was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. M'Mahon of Baltimore city, chairman of the committee therein mentioned, delivered the following report: